

25 May 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH : Deputy Director/Intelligence
SUBJECT : Proposed Letter to Secretary of State

1. In a memorandum of 23 March 1954 signed by you as Chairman of USCIB, certain recommendations were made in regard to controls on the export of electronic equipment to the Soviet Bloc.

2. Later, at the instigation of the Department of State, OHR undertook the two studies referred to in the text of the proposed letter. These studies have been made available to the Department of State.

3. Park Armstrong feels that a statement of the copper situation in the Soviet Bloc, based on these studies, would be extremely helpful in bringing current information on the Soviet copper situation to the attention of those responsible for negotiations at COMCON. He further felt that this should be directed to the Secretary of State since both the Economic Defense Staff and the E Area of State are concerned. Representatives of the Department of State have informally concurred in the substance of the proposed letter.

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Attachment

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